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A NOTABLE EXAMPLE.

We see it stated that President Theodore Roosevelt is paying his own expenses in that bear hunt out West, including his railroad fare. If this be true, it is a notable example and worthy of the highest praise. Heretofore, after being installed in office, when a President left the Whitehouse, an appropriation was forthcoming. It is a matter of record that one ex-President made a tour of the world, after being President eight years, and the people paid the bill. The acceptance of favors from the treasury to pay the expenses of pleasure trips on the part of public officials has become so common that it is looked upon as an evil to be tolerated and not condemned.

It is true that, viewed from a financial standpoint, Teddy's trip is not a paying venture. Half-a-dozen grizzlies, a few coyotes and a snake, if put upon the market and sold, wouldn't pay the expenses of the party's trip thru one State. But he has had lots of fun and the blood of beasts, the sound of the bugle horn, the excitement of the chase and the delightful peal of rifle tends to allay the frenzy for war, and makes Teddy more amiable and ideal like.

At any rate, we gladly credit Teddy with some common sense, some sense of decency, and with the possession of some real American manhood. High officials in the various departments of government, national, state and municipal, are responsible largely for the graft, scandal and corruption which are making a mockery of representative government. Teddy has done well in this respect. Now, on his return from the hunting grounds of the West, he has a chance to go down in history as one of the greatest of our Presidents.

We see it stated that Costa Rica, Honduras and the United States are the only countries in the world that permit the private ownership of telegraph lines.

The State's attorney has decided that persons living in cities and towns who own personal property and live stock outside the town cannot be assessed by the town for the same.

The attorney general of Missouri has rendered an opinion that dogs are not "live stock." There, now, if a neighbor shoots your dog it will simply be a dead dog and not live stock.

The State convention of high school pupils held in Columbia last Monday was largely attended from Mexico. Teachers and pupils from here came back enthused with Columbia's reception. Young students of the schools were present from all over the State. The event was quite an advertisement for the University.

The MESSAGE does not believe in capital punishment. It is too much the old doctrine of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. Bill Rudolph should not have been hanged, even as hard a character as he was. There was good in the man—and that good should not have been snuffed out—as is shown by one of his last utterances: "I thought for a while Governor Folk would relieve me at least, but I guess that is all off. They think I am dangerous to be alive, so I guess I had better go." Murdered and robbed, of course he had, but are you sure he was wholly responsible for his career? From infancy to manhood he was denied parental protection and training. As another has put it, ignorance became his mother and vice his father, and he became loyal to this parentage. The State had a right to stop his criminal career but morally it had no right to take his life. Rudolph murdered and the State has murdered. Should a great people be guilty like that?

KILLED IN CYCLONE.

Toronto Cuts Devastating Swath In Central Kansas.

Salina, Kan., May 9.—Mongre reports from Marquette, which town was swept by a cyclone at midnight, state that all houses on Lincoln street were demolished. Twenty-four other residences in town and five out in the country were razed.

The list of dead is now placed at twenty-nine and the injured at over a hundred. In one family father, mother and three children were instantly killed. The population of Marquette is about six hundred.

The tornado struck the southern end of the town and cut a clean swath 100 yards in width through its entire length. A heavy rain storm preceded the wind and following the tornado was a scene of desolation.

The storm broke upon the town with great suddenness, wrought its terrible havoc within a few minutes and sweeping on into the rich farming country north of Marquette, caused further damage there.

The list of those known to have been killed by the cyclone at Marquette, Kan., follows:

Mrs. A. V. Anderson,
Gus Anderson,
Tiller Ellerson,
Mrs. Elmer Hultgren,
Blanch Switzer,
Lena Switzer,
Nina Switzer,
Anna Colson,
N. P. Nelson, wife and children,
A. Sjorgren,
Olof Hanson and wife,
Gottfried Nelson, wife and child,
Elmer Nelson,
Mrs. Postier and child,
Charles Roberts,
Unidentified woman.

YOUR NEIGHBORS

Mrs. John Spottwood is visiting her brother in Fulton.

Mr. and Mrs. Almarie Jenkins were in Louisiana Sunday.

Miss Blanch Neely returned last week from a visit to friends in Auxvasse.

Tom Wisdom and O. Johnson visited friends in Marshall last Wednesday.

Mr. Dutton of Fulton helped invoice the Bare & Precht furniture stock here last week.

Miss Irma Johnson of this city is home from Virginia where she has been attending college.

Mrs. H. F. Rutledge is home from Topeka, Kansas, where she has visited for several months.

Miss Lily Hendrix has returned home after a visit to her sister, Mrs. C. C. Wisdom, of Marshall.

Mrs. J. M. Cauthorn of Lodi, visited her parents here last week, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilkerson.

Mrs. W. L. Fowler of this city enjoyed a visit from her sister, Mrs. Harry Shoup, of near Worcester, this week.

Mr. Higgins after spending the winter with his daughter, Mrs. D. Murphy, has returned to Racine, Wisconsin.

Robert Boatman of Honduras, South America, is making a visit to his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Boatman.

Miss Agnes Royer and little sister, Ely, of Madison, Mo., are visiting their sister, Mrs. K. B. Wilkerson, of Mexico.

Mrs. Mary B. Schaible and daughter, Mrs. John T. Martin, have returned from a visit to relatives at Galveston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Morris were in Clarksville Sunday. Miss Mae Vandeveld returned with them to visit relatives and friends here.

Mrs. A. J. Winscott of Mexico entertained a number of friends one afternoon last week for her niece, Miss Anna Crawford, of Worcester, who is a student at Hardin College.

Mrs. W. J. Botts of this city gave her husband a birthday dinner one day last week. A number of friends were invited in. Mr. Botts was the recipient from his wife and children of an elegant gold hand-carved and diamond-set emblem.

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A Speech from Roosevelt.

Pueblo, Col., May 8.—President Roosevelt to-day paid his second visit and made his second speech to the citizens of this place since he arrived in the State three weeks ago. The station platform was crowded and the President was cheered heartily when he stepped from the rear end of the train. He spoke as follows:

I cannot say how much impressed I am as I travel thru your great state. I doubt if you yourselves fully realize its future, as I have said to you before. Your mines, your manufactures, the commerce in which you are engaged, your stock farming, your grain farming, your orchards, the development that will surely come of your water power, above all the extraordinary strides you are taking in irrigation, all of that impresses me immensely. But I am impressed by another thing in addition to all of these industries. You have got one industry in your land scape, your scenery. This state is going to be one of the places to which people from the East and West are going to come to see your country, to enjoy it, to make it one of the holiday spots of the land. This morning we have come over the Tennessee pass right in the midst of the snow, right down from the high mountains, thru the valleys, thru the great canyons, into your fertile valley, now out to the plains. There is such a marvelous diversification of natural features in your landscape, you are three fortunate in your material resources.

But as I have said everywhere and I cannot say too often, the thing that counts of course is the character of the average citizen-ship and that is what gives me my supreme faith in the future not merely of Colorado, but of all our Union, my belief that we are going steadily on, generation by generation, to train up the average American citizen, man and woman, so that he or she can do the full duty demanded by the republic. That is one reason why I congratulate you on the West because your task is great and because you have done it well. In life it is not the things that you shirk that counts. It is the things that you are able to do; and the greatest benefit that can be given to any man is the chance to render good service to those nearest to him, to his neighbors, to the republic, as a whole. You here, and those who went just ahead of you, have conquered the wilderness and made it blossom like a rose.

Wife Dies of Broken Heart.

Prosecuting Attorney R. L. Johnson of St. Louis County, last week, filed an information in the Clayton Circuit Court against Eugene W. Wallace, charging him with bigamy. It is alleged that he married Maude Erskine in St. Louis County November 25, 1904, while another wife, Fannie W. Wallace, was living.

Wallace was taken to Clayton from St. Louis and locked up. He had been charged with the offense in St. Louis but the charge was dismissed when it was discovered that the marriage took place in Glendale, St. Louis County.

Maude Erskine died six weeks ago of a broken heart at the home of relatives in Cresecut, St. Louis county.

A Card of Thanks.

As it is impossible to meet again the many with whom I became acquainted during my stay in Bean Creek neighborhood, I purpose to use printers' ink to bid you all adieu and to thank one and all for the many acts of kindness and hospitality shown me while in your midst.

I have met you not only in your daily walks of life but in a Sunday school capacity, on the Lord's Day. I am truly glad to see you are a people taking an interest in the cause of our Savior. It causes me to think that altho I am far from home and loved ones I am still among brothers, neighbors and friends.

The churches in your vicinity show that together you are striving to raise the younger generation to better morals and to be more like Jesus.

As I go to my home from your midst, I leave a host of friends whom I shall not soon forget.

Bidding you farewell, I wish you one and all God's blessing, and if we do not meet again on earth, let us meet beyond this vale of tears, for there will be no parting there.

Yours fraternally,
H. M. RAY.

STOCK AND TRANSFERS

E. A. Pearce, near Rush Hill, is breeding Duroc hogs. He has 93 pigs from 9 sows.

Henry Precht has bought the T. B. Hassler property on Craig St. in Mexico, sale thru W. A. Sharp.

Thru W. A. Sharp, Henry Precht sold his home on E. Monroe street in Mexico to C. H. Carpenter.

Those wanting registered Chester White hogs can find them at the Walnut Grove Farm, north of Mexico.

King & Sutton, of this county, shipped 20 steers to St. Louis last week. They weighed 994 pounds and brought \$4.95.

Thru Lakenau & Barnes, last Friday, C. H. Williams of Kansas City bought of T. H. Tillman a house and two lots in Mexico.

R. O. McPheeters, of near Auxvasse, last week bought the Bare & Precht furniture and undertaking business in Mexico. He has possession.

J. D. Lewellen sold hogs on the St. Louis market last week. One drove averaged 211 pounds and another drove 217 pounds, and each went at \$5.52 1/2.

Turner & McFarland, of Audrain county, according to the Live Stock Reporter, sold some young calves in St. Louis last week that brought \$5.50.

Sidney James, ex-Deputy Sheriff, bought Shannon Hodge's restaurant, on the south side of the square in Mexico, last week. Mr. Hodge has bought the Tyson barber shop.

Rufus Jackson has received an inquiry from a Russian army officer who desires to purchase a number of Missouri horses. They have learned to ask Audrain first when a fine horse is wanted.

Kay Spence, a well known horseman lately of St. Louis, who some time ago bought the John I Brown farm, northwest of Mexico, will stock the farm for the purpose of breeding thoroughbred horses. He has 20 head of fine mares and stock horses on the farm now.

On the streets last Saturday Alex Carter had on exhibition "Rex Carter," a full brother to "Rex McDonald," the champion saddler of the world. Rex Carter is a beauty, also. The horse took the eye of a Southwest Missouri man, who was here on business in different parts of the County. You should hear this man "take on" over Audrain's splendid high-bred stock of horses, cattle and hogs. Says for fine stock Audrain is far ahead of his section of the State.

H. M. Ray, of Spurgeon, Mo., State Business Agent for the Farmer's Union, tells the MESSAGE that last Monday there was shipped to the farmers of Newton county, this State, who are members of the Farmer's Union, a half ear of binder twine, to be used in the coming harvest. It means the saving of a great many dollars to the farmers of that county. Mr. Ray further tells us that the farmers of Southwest Missouri are organizing rapidly, going into the Farmer's Union. The organization has begun in this county. Its principles appear sound and all right, and if it will save its members money, as it is claimed, the organization should be encouraged for a firm footing in Audrain also.

THE GRIM REAPER

Mr. Irvin Harrison, a prominent farmer living south of Benton City, aged about 34 years, a single man, died Tuesday morning of this week, after a long illness. He was the son of the late John F. Harrison. A brother, Charles Harrison, resides at Benton City. Three sisters also survive him, Miss Minnie, Mrs. Clarence Johnson of near Mexico and Mrs. D. W. May residing in Porto Rico. The funeral was at the home yesterday afternoon and the burial at Benton City.

Mr. Henry Robinson died at his home in St. Louis Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock from a cramping spell. He was a brother of Harrison, John and Dick Robinson of Molino, this county. Had many acquaintances all over Audrain. His wife preceded him to the grave 18 months ago; there have been four deaths in the family since the death of Mrs. Robinson—the husband and wife, a daughter and a son-in-law. The remains of Mr. Robinson will arrive in

Mexico to-day at noon and the interment will be in the city cemetery. Mr. Robinson had employment in a steel works plant in St. Louis. His many friends here will be pained to hear of his death.

Mrs. Sarah Clement, the wife of Alexander Clement of near Worcester, died Monday afternoon after a lingering illness. Besides the husband, four children survive her: Annie and Wallace who reside at home; Rodes Clement, of Texas, and Mrs. R. J. Elliot of Minneapolis, Wisconsin. The funeral service was from the home yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The entire community extends sympathy to the mourners.

Miss Madge Robertson, daughter of Attorney George Robertson, died rather unexpectedly at her home in this city early Wednesday morning. She came home from the State University a few days before ill from nervous prostration. Last fall Miss Robertson was chosen for the Greek chair at Hardin College, and she was at the University taking a post graduate course to better prepare herself for her work. She was a bright young lady, highly ambitious, and worked too hard at her studies. Her death is peculiarly sad, and all deeply sympathize with the heartbroken parents in their grief. The funeral will be preached this afternoon at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. A. W. Koken-doffer.

Some painters were painting J. S. Brown's barn at Benton City the other day and one of them hung his coat in the building and it took fire and set fire to the roof the building. Neighbors carried water from a pond and put the blaze out. What was that painter's coat loaded with?

Order Of Publication.

State of Missouri, ss.
County of Audrain, ss.
John P. Schmidt, Plaintiff

vs.
Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, and the unknown heirs of said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, and the Unknown heirs of Thomas J. Keeton, deceased. Defendants.

Now on this day April 11th, 1905, comes plaintiff and files with the clerk of this court, in vacation, his petition duly verified by affidavit, wherein among other things plaintiff states that he is the owner in fee and in possession of the following land situated in Audrain county, Missouri, to-wit: The east half of the southeast quarter of section 14, township 35, range 10 west of the Fifth P. M. That the title to said land emanated from the United States Government more than ten years prior to the filing of this petition, to-wit, in the year 1857, and that said land, or an interest therein might be claimed by the heirs or devisees of Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, if dead, or by them, if living, or by the unknown heirs of Thomas J. Keeton, deceased, and that the heirs of said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, are unknown to plaintiff. That Thomas J. Keeton entered said land and that he died about 1854, and left surviving him his widow, Cella Keeton, and two sons, Wesley C. Keeton and William L. W. Keeton, and a daughter Margaret E. Cauthorn, all of whom sold and conveyed their interests in said land, but it does not appear whether said Thomas J. Keeton, deceased left other surviving heirs, but if he did there is no conveyance of their interests.

Plaintiff further states that in 1868 said Bridget Murphy became the owner of said land, and in the same year she executed a power of Attorney, to one Thomas Fagan, to dispose of said land, and in 1870 said Thomas Fagan as Attorney for said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, sold and conveyed the South east fourth of the south east quarter of said section 14, but it does not appear of record that said Cornelius Murphy executed a power of Attorney to said Fagan, or that he joined in the power of attorney with his said wife. Plaintiff states that the heirs and devisees of said Thomas J. Keeton, deceased, other than the ones above named, who have executed deeds to said land, and the heirs and devisees of said Cornelius Murphy and Bridget Murphy, if they are deceased, are unknown to plaintiff, and that if said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy are living, their residences are unknown to this plaintiff.

And plaintiff further states that he verily believes there are persons interested in the subject matter of this petition, as heirs or devisees of said Thomas J. Keeton, deceased, or heirs or devisees of said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, deceased, claiming or who might claim, by, through or under them, or some of them, whose names or places of residence he cannot insert herein because they are unknown to him, and that he does not know what the interests of such unknown persons are, unless as heirs or devisees of said Thomas J. Keeton, or Bridget Murphy or Cornelius Murphy, and that said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy are living, their residences are unknown to this plaintiff.

It is therefore ordered by the clerk of this court, in vacation, that publication be made herein notifying the said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy and the Unknown heirs of said Bridget Murphy and Cornelius Murphy, and the unknown heirs of Thomas J. Keeton, deceased, that plaintiff has begun suit against them in the Audrain county circuit court, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of said court perfecting plaintiff's title to the lands herein first described by limitations under the provisions of Section 4298 Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1892; and now unless you said defendants aforesaid, be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain Co. Circuit Court, to be begun and held at

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the Court House in Mexico, Audrain county, Missouri, on the first Monday in June, 1905, and on or before the first day of said term, answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Missouri MESSAGE, a weekly newspaper published in Audrain county, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said next term of court.

State of Missouri, ss.
County of Audrain, ss.

I, W. H. Morris, Clerk of the Circuit Court within and for the state and county aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and complete copy of the Order of Publication in above case, as full as the same now remains on file and of record in my office.

(SEAL.) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, county and state aforesaid, this 11th day of April, A. D. 1905.
W. H. MORRIS, Clerk.
Fry & Rodgers, Att'ys for Plaintiff.

Order of Publication.

State of Missouri, ss.
County of Audrain, ss.
In the Circuit Court
To the June Term, 1905
Sallie R. Hisey, Plaintiff

vs.
Robert E. Hisey Defendant.

Now this 9th day of April, 1905, comes Sallie R. Hisey, the plaintiff in the above entitled case, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in vacation, and files her petition duly verified by the affidavit of said plaintiff, setting forth among other things, that defendant, Robert E. Hisey, has absented himself from his usual place of abode in this state and that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. It is therefore ordered by me as clerk aforesaid, in vacation, that publication be made notifying said defendant that an action has been commenced against him by petition in the circuit court of Audrain county in the State of Missouri, wherein said plaintiff seeks to be divorced from the bonds of matrimony contracted with defendant, and unless he said Robert E. Hisey defendant be and appear at the next term of this court, to be begun and holden at the Court House in the City of Mexico, in the said county of Audrain, in the State of Missouri, on the first Monday in June (June 5), 1905, and on or before said date answer or otherwise plead to said petition of plaintiff, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered against him.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week in the Mexico Missouri MESSAGE, a newspaper published in the county of Audrain, the same being the paper designated by plaintiff's attorney of record, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the commencement of the next term of this Court.

State of Missouri, ss.
County of Audrain, ss.

I, W. H. Morris, Clerk of the circuit court within and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of the Order of Publication in case of Sallie R. Hisey vs. Robert E. Hisey as full as the same now remains on file and of record in my office.

(SEAL.) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the city of Mexico, County and State aforesaid, this 25th day of April, A. D. 1905.
W. H. MORRIS, Clerk.
C. A. Barnes, Att'ys for Plaintiff.